

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

March 29, 1923.

Hon. S. L. Staples,
Secretary of State,
Capitol Building,
Austin, Texas.

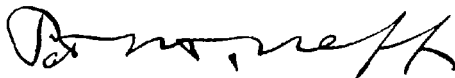
Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am filing herewith, as provided by law,
together with my veto thereof, Senate Bill No. 175.

The purpose of this bill seems to be to
permit railroad companies to grant a sheriff a free pass over
these lines without being under legal obligations to issue sim-
ilar free passes to every other sheriff in the State who might
apply therefor. The bill, however, either designedly or inno-
cently, repeals that part of the law which prevents a sheriff
who uses a pass, in the official discharge of his duties, from
collecting mileage from the State. In other words, if this
bill should become a law, a sheriff would be permitted, under
the law, to use a railroad pass in his official travels, and,
at the same time, charge the State mileage.

Because this bill repeals the law which
prohibits this, it is, in my opinion, unwise legislation and,
for that reason, is by me vetoed and disapproved.

Respectfully,



Governor.